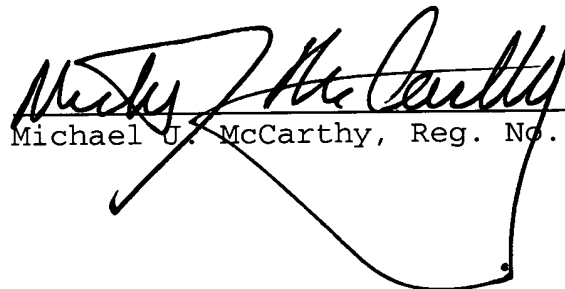


The Examiner is requested to contact the representative for the Applicants, to discuss any questions or for clarification. If there are any further fees associated with this response, the Director is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0962.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX I
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Claims 1 and 8 have been amended as follows:

1. (Three Times Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a promoter nucleotide sequence that initiates transcription of an operably linked heterologous nucleic acid sequence in a plant cell wherein said promoter nucleotide sequence has at least [80]95% identity to 18 sequential nucleotides of the cassava vein mosaic virus (CsVMV) promoter shown in SEQ ID NO 3 (pA).

8. (Twice Amended) A vector comprising a promoter nucleotide sequence that is capable of initiating transcription of an operably linked heterologous nucleic acid sequence in a plant cell wherein said promoter nucleotide sequence has at least [80]95% identity to 18 sequential nucleotides of the cassava vein mosaic virus (CsVMV) promoter shown in SEQ ID NO 3 (pA) and is operatively linked to a heterologous nucleic acid sequence.